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Washington, DC- Today Congressman John B. Larson praised the bipartisan passage of House Concurrent Resolution 63, the Iraq resolution that expresses strong support for our troops and opposition to the President to deploy more than 20,000 additional U.S. combat troops to Iraq. The resolution passed 246-182.

In November the voters made it clear they wanted a new direction in Iraq. Americans' public opinion has strongly rejected this Administration's escalation plan. Today the Congress made a bipartisan and clear statement affirming support for our troops and opposing the escalation. It was a vote of confidence on a President's failed policy and it is a reflection of the resonant voice of the American people for a safe, secure and strategic redeployment of our troops. This is a powerful message expressing the people's will that the Administration cannot ignore. The American people found their voice long time ago. This week, Congress found its. Now it is time to see if the President listens.

Congressman Larson is Vice Chair of the Democratic Caucus. He is a member of the House Ways and Means Committee and served six years on the House Armed Services Committee.

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